



Saint Mary's Catholic Primary School

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FRIDAY LETTER

13th October 2017

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Glossop Jog

Thank you to those children and staff who took part in the Jog last Sunday. I had some stiff competition to beat my 12 laps. Colm managed to equal it! There was some very competitive racing from our pupils especially if I was near. Thank you for taking part and congratulations to you all. (Sponsor Money should be collected ideally by next Thursday).

Harvest School Mass

We had a great celebration for Harvest yesterday. Fr Greg celebrated Mass with the children; the band played confidently and the children sang joyfully. Thanks for the clothing donations too. We have a lot of items to donate to Barnardo's.

Parents' Evenings: Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th October

We will hold parents' evening in the school hall for all teachers next week to see if we can make appointment times more efficient and reduce waiting times. With classes of 30 pupils in nearly all our year groups we will do our best to stick to the 10 minute appointment times! Children need not attend the appointment with you but we understand if you are not able to arrange child care.

PFA Jamboree and Poppy Ceremony.

This afternoon the PFA arranged a poppy field in our Peace Garden in readiness for Remembrance Day in November. Ruth George MP visited the school to take part in the Poppy Ceremony and had a tour of the school. Fr Greg led us in prayer and David Hannigan from the British Legion invited the children to hold a minute's silence for those who gave their lives for their country. The poppies will remain there until the end of November.

School Kitchen Five Star Grading

Congratulations to the Kitchen Staff who have maintained their Five Star Food Hygiene rating yet again!

School Meals Autumn/Winter Menus are now available from the School Office.

On Target in Sport (OTIS Holiday Club Mon 23rd – Fri 27th October.)

Flyers have been sent out today about the holiday club here at Saint Mary's during the half term holiday.

Messages from the Office

Theatre Visit money welcome in anytime!

School Photographs notification – These will take place on Monday 30th October – the first day back after half term.

School closes next Thursday 19th October for the half term holidays. Thursday afternoon will be Golden Time for the children. The Half Term Honours will be announced and a special treat for the honourees has been organised!! Staff will be in school on Friday for an INSET day.

Have a good weekend!

Mr S D Groarke
Headteacher

★ Crowned as our Star Pupils this week ★	
Reception	★ Ethan
Year 1	★ Lewis
Year 2	★ Tiegan
Year 3	★ Ethan
Year 4	★ Ava Zeke
Year 5	★ Hannah Oliver
Year 6	★ Everyone!
Head teacher's Award	★ Noriko
<i>Awarded for Respect and good manners.</i>	
Friday 20 th October school is closed for an INSET day.	
<i>Birthdays Nancy 7 Colm 11</i>	



Diocese of Nottingham



Autumn Term Diary

Tuesday 17th October

Parents' Evening

Wednesday 18th October

Parents' Evening

Friday 20th October

INSET day – school closed

Half term holidays

Monday 30th October

School Reopens

School Photographs

Thursday 2nd November

Sparkle and Slime Disco

Friday 3rd November

Non-uniform day – St Elizabeth's House (Green)

Monday 13th November

Mr Groarke's School Dinner

Wednesday 15th November

Baking Competition

Thursday 7th December

Aladdin Panto trip KS1 and 2

Tuesday 12th December

Toddler Group Party

Christmas Concert KS1. 1.45pm and 6.30pm

Wednesday 13th December

Christmas Concert KS2 6.30pm

Thursday 14th December

Christmas Concert KS2 1.45pm

Friday 15th December

Non-uniform Day St Lazarus' House (red)

Monday 18th December

School Dinner – Party time!

Tuesday 19th December

Christmas Parties

Wednesday 20th December

Christmas Dinner

Carols in the School Hall 2.30pm

End of Term – school closes

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Wednesday 3rd January 2018

INSET day

Thursday 4th January 2018

School opens for the new term.

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